IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: C.A. Blau et al. Attorney Docket No.: UWOTL115624
 Application No.: 09/582,916 Group Art Unit: 1632
 Filed: October 2, 2000 Examiner: A.M.S. Wehbe
 Title: METHODS OF CONTROLLING CELL DIFFERENTIATION AND
 GROWTH USING A FUSION PROTEIN AND A DRUG

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 /
PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

- X 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:
- X An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith.
- X 2. Other documents enclosed are as follows:
- X Inventor's Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132.
- X Curriculum Vitae of Carl Anthony Blau.
- X 3. Small entity status is as follows:
- X Small entity status was previously asserted and continues to be appropriate.
- X 4. Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated August 12, 2003, set to expire on November 12, 2003, be extended by 3 months, to expire on February 12, 2004. The enclosed check includes the 3-month extension fee of \$475.00.

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X 5. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below.

 X No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=			x	=			385
Total Claims	97	-	98	=	0	x	9	=	0
Independent Claims	10	-	10	=	0	x	43	=	0
Extension of Time						+	475		475
TOTAL									\$860

 X 6. Check No. 153690 in the amount of \$860.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.

 X 7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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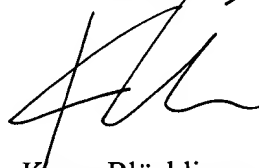
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Respectfully submitted,

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